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Sir:

SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION OF THIRD INVENTOR

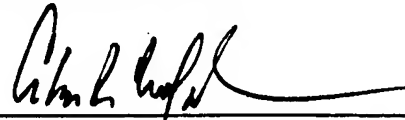
Attached is a declaration executed by the third inventor in this case along with another transmittal sheet. When the original application papers were filed in this case on March 25, 2005, an executed declaration with two of the inventors' signatures was submitted.

An early and favorable action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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